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Subject: Re-initiation of Consultation for the Joint Guam Program Office (JGPO)  
Relocation of the U.S. Marine Corps (USMC) from Okinawa to Guam and  
Associated Activities on Guam and Tinian

Dear Mr. Ludovici:

Thank you for your request to re-initiate consultation on the "Biological Opinion (BO) for the JGPO Relocation of the USMC from Okinawa to Guam and Associated Activities on Guam and Tinian (2010-F-0122). We appreciate the early coordination between our offices and efforts on the part of Department of Navy (DoN) staff related to the preparation of the biological assessment. Unfortunately, additional information is necessary to complete this re-initiation of consultation.

As discussed in the 9 April 2013 meeting between the DoN and the Service, the Service feels that additional discussion between the DoN and Service is needed to determine if re-initiation of consultation or an amendment to the aforementioned BO would be the best mechanism to address DoN concerns related to changes in the action. To ensure the Service has a clear understanding of JGPO conservation measures that have been initiated under the existing BO, we request a table listing project activities and linked measures that mitigate impacts to listed species. It should be noted that the Service feels the DoN should be consulting on Guam listed avifauna within this re-initiation. The Service also feels that brown treesnake interdiction and control measures within the "Project Description" and "Conservation Measures" of the original JGPO BO should remain in the re-initiation.


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We appreciate the opportunity to assist you with the proposed project. If you have any questions or concerns about this consultation, please feel free to contact Leilani Takano, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at (671) 355-5096 or [leilani\\_takano@fws.gov](mailto:leilani_takano@fws.gov).

Sincerely,



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